

COA Minutes

October 21, 2014

Roll Call: Bob Cirba; Christine Alessandro; Pat Corson; Ruth King; Diane Johnson; Sue Arsenault; and Pam Woodbury were present. Marge Lapierre and Janet Goff were excused. Member Nancy French has resigned due to family obligations.

Minutes of September 9, 2014 were mailed previously to members. The motion was made and passed to accept the minutes as reported. King/Cirba

Treasurer's Report

- Account balances include
 - Expense Account:\$13,725.86
 - Personnel Acct.-\$11, 047.70
- Grant is not in yet but is promised soon.

Motion was made and passed to accept the treasurer's report. Corson/Arsenault

Director's Report

- The information fair on 9/17/14 was less than a stellar event. Fifty Two seniors came through for information. There were 26 vendors and they did not like it outside. The next one I have will be at the town hall if we do not have our own center. There are a couple of seniors who were not using the center who have now come.
- Medicare open enrollment is underway. It will close on December 7. I have spoken to my SHINE counselor.
- I attended the MCOA conference at the Cape Oct. 8, 9, and 10th. Took relevant workshops.
- I attend 2-3 staff meetings a month. The meetings are the day after a selectboard meeting.
- I want to implement a new program at the beginning of the year. Phone a friend will match lonely seniors up with other seniors willing to call and chat with that senior.
- Things are still disappearing at the center. I inform Holly Collette about this. I put our names on everything. Also, members keep coming in while we're there. They do not leave when I explain we rent and they need to wait until 4:00. They just brush me off

saying “ I’m a member here. I then explain that landlords do not have free and unlimited access to their rental property. This all falls on deaf ears.

The Phone a Friend program, though a good idea, will be tabled until more guidelines can be discussed. This will be taken up at next months meeting.

Motion was made and passed to accept the director’s report. Cirba/Johnson

Next meeting will fall on Veteran’s Day so the next meeting will be 11/18/14.

Motion made and passed at 7:00 to adjourn. King/Cirba